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Art Unit: 2126

Attorney Docket Number: SYN006-05

MESSAGE: *Attached please find:*

- *Response to First Office Action (13)*
- *Request for 1 Month Extension (2)*
- *Fee Transmittal Sheet (1)*

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In Re Application of: Ricciardi, Aleta :
Serial No.: 09/940,367 :
Filed: August 28, 2001 :
For: METHOD FOR HANDLING
TRANSITIONS IN GROUPED SERVICES :
IN A DISTRIBUTED COMPUTING
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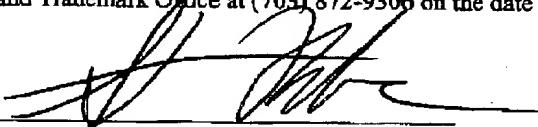
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RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

This is responsive to the First Office Action mailed on June 2, 2004. This Response is being filed within one month after the end of the shortened statutory period for response. A Request for One Month extension along with the authorization to charge Applicant's attorney's Deposit Account for the appropriate fee. It is believed that no other fees are due in connection with this Response.

Applicant respectfully requests that the above identified application be reconsidered in view of the amendments and remarks which follow, that each of the presently pending claims be allowed, and that the application be passed to issue.

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Amendments to the specification begin on page 3.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 6.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9.

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Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	55
1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	960	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,480	2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
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1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1462	110	2462	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
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1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
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